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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of:	Kern <i>et al.</i>	Art Unit:	1648
Serial No.	08/637,752	Examiner:	Mosher, M.
Filed:	July 20, 2001	Confirmation No.:	4876
For:	ADENO-ASSOCIATED VIRUS - ITS DIAGNOSTIC USE WITH EARLY ABORTION	Attorney Docket:	8484-013-999

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2003 (Paper No. 23), and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

Enclosed herewith is a **Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**.

This paper includes:

**Amendments to the Specification** beginning on page 2;

**Amendments to the Claims** reflected in the list of claims beginning on page 3;

**Remarks** beginning on page 5; and

**Exhibits 1 & 2** beginning after page 14, which include Exhibit 1 (Declaration of Dr. Kleinschmidt under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 dated August 28, 2003) and Exhibit 2 (Second Declaration of Dr. Kleinschmidt under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 dated September 25, 2003).